

STATE OF TASMANIA.
MONTHLY STATISTICS - MARCH-APRIL, 1944.

RAILWAYS.

		1943	1944	1944	1944
		March	January	February	March
Gross Revenue	£	80,534	73,203	70,364	78,433
Working costs, excl. Interest	£	82,325	86,186	80,399	88,290
Train Miles run (inc. Rail Motor)	No.	197,218	179,578	176,586	187,568
Passenger Journeys	No.	330,979	246,444	254,161	288,991
Goods and Live Stock	Tons	93,118	69,082	83,505	95,392

ELECTRIC POWER - Units generated by

		1943	1944	1944
		April	March	April
Hydro-Electric Department		59,881,100	63,119,000	62,116,100
Mt. Lyell Mining & Railway Co.)				
Launceston City Council)				
Pioneer Tin Mining Co.)				
Small plants, estimated)		4,157,773	5,584,722	4,588,840
Total units		64,038,873	68,703,722	66,704,940
Units supplied to Hobart Metropolitan Area:		32,564,133	35,695,167	35,277,167
Units supplied to Launceston & Suburbs:		3,125,792	3,219,629	3,235,335

EMPLOYMENT. Number of employees stated to be on the last payroll in the month of all employers making Payroll Tax Returns.

Particulars	February, 1943.			February, 1944.		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Private Employers:						
Primary Industries	1,209	199	1,408	1,330	171	1,501
Mining and Quarrying	2,624	31	2,655	2,741	37	2,778
Factories & Industrial	11,059	4,040	15,099	11,299	4,487	15,786
Building & Construction	960	27	987	760	24	784
Transport & Communication	2,566	100	2,666	2,284	103	2,387
Commerce and Finance	4,218	3,174	7,392	4,273	3,195	7,468
Other Industries	668	1,206	1,874	704	1,353	2,057
Total Private Employers	23,304	8,777	32,081	23,391	9,370	32,761
Govt. & Semi-Governmental:						
Total Governmental	8,707	2,064	10,771	8,423	2,178	10,601
Grand Total all Returns	32,011	10,841	42,852	31,814	11,548	43,362

REAL ESTATE STATISTICS.

	1943	1944	1944
	April	March	April
Value of Land Transfers	No.	£	No.
" " Mortgages Registered	157	73,862	101,525
" " Discharged	53	28,399	28,630
" " partially dis.	117	44,622	64,842
Registered under Deeds Act.	16	1,705	1,212
Value of Conveyances	73	69,493	85
" " Mortgages	34	21,073	35
" " Reconveyances	57	36,788	68

SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS.

	1943	1944	1944
	April	March	April
Commonwealth Savings Bank	£	£	£
Trustee Savings Banks - Hobart, L'ton	3,304,120	4,463,350	4,526,160
	7,394,559	9,088,418	9,158,052
	10,698,679	13,551,768	13,684,212

BANK CLEARINGS.

Hobart	4,411,704	4,114,211	4,342,425
Launceston	2,163,114	1,652,588	2,120,044

BUTTER PRODUCTION.

	1943	1944	1944	1944	
	April	January	February	March	
Butter lb.	208,111	997,683	738,197	561,976	252,718

FINANCE. April 1943 and 1944.

Consolidated Revenue Fund.

<u>Receipts.</u>				<u>Payments.</u>			
<u>April</u>	<u>10 months</u>	<u>1942-43</u>	<u>1943-44</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>1944</u>	<u>1942-43</u>	<u>1943-44</u>
1943	1944	1942-43	1943-44	1943	1944	1942-43	1943-44
£269,573	£294,230	£2,446,168	£2,632,638	£345,850	£351,800	£2,813,138	£2,839,503

Excess of Payments over Receipts for 10 months ended 30th. April, 1944: £206,865
 " " " " " " " " 30th. April, 1943: £366,970

MOTOR REGISTRATION. (Exclusive of Commonwealth-owned Vehicles) - April, 1944.
 (Civil and Defence Services).

	<u>Lorries</u>	<u>Utilities</u>	<u>Motor Cycles</u>	<u>Cars & Other Vehicles</u>
	<u>etc.</u>			
No. on Register at 1.4.1944	3,338	2,774	2,529	16,705
Lapsed Registrations	227	206	200	1,390
	3,111	2,568	2,329	15,315
<u>Registrations - April, 1944.</u>				
New Vehicles	29	-	-	1
Used Vehicles	164	172	190	1,072
No. on Register end April, 1944	3,304	2,740	2,519	16,388
No. on Register end April, 1943	2,955	2,471	2,434	15,829

RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

	<u>Cost of Food and Groceries.</u>			
	(6 Capitals in 1923-27 is Base = 1000)			
	<u>1943</u>	<u>1944</u>	<u>1944</u>	<u>1944</u>
	<u>April</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
Hobart	1,062	1,026	1,025	1,024
Launceston	1,016	979	978	978
Burnie	1,109	1,084	1,008	1,009
Devonport	1,049	1,033	1,000	1,001
Queenstown	1,138	1,122	1,120	1,120
Weighted Average, Tasmania	1,051	1,017	1,012	1,011
Rosebery	1,165	1,149	1,125	1,127

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.

<u>1943.</u>	<u>Net Sales of Taxable</u>	<u>Net Taxable</u>	<u>Sales Tax</u>
	<u>and Exempt Goods.</u>	<u>Sales.</u>	<u>Collected.</u>
April	£ 1,127,829	£ 293,601	£ 40,789
1944.			
February	888,187	282,718	38,146
March	847,273	273,725	36,216
April	871,620	293,969	35,833

BUILDING PERMITS. May 1944 and 1943.

Month	New Buildings for Habitation.		New Buildings for other purposes		Alterations & Additions		Totals	
	Permits No.	Contract Price	Permits No.	Contract Price	Permits No.	Contract Price	Permits No.	Contract Price
1944.		£		£		£		£
May	1	650	2	1,750	22	2,673	25	5,073
1943.								
May	3	1,500	7	3,275	7	7,219	17	11,994

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

	No.	Year 1941-42	Year 1942-43
Factories		994	992
Hands employed (a)	"	17,556	18,310
Wages paid (b)	£	3,720,779	4,472,816
Value of fuel used, etc.	"	704,260	790,284
" " materials used	"	8,392,404	9,838,195
" " production	"	7,214,338	8,075,451
" " output of factories	"	16,311,002	18,703,930
" " land and buildings	"	4,384,553	4,927,195
" " plant and machinery	"	7,612,799	8,133,330

(a) Includes working proprietors. (b) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.

VALUE OF PRODUCTION. (Output less Costs other than Labour.)

	Year 1941-42	Year 1942-43
	£	£
Treatment of Non-Metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products	211,693	202,709
Bricks, Pottery, Glass etc.	48,194	31,779
Chemicals, Dyes etc.	39,921	62,391
Industrial Metals, Machines, etc.	2,216,651	2,879,022
Precious Metals, Jewellery, Plate	3,115	3,069
Textile and Textile Goods	1,093,488	1,005,051
Skins and Leather	89,434	65,677
Clothing	147,988	153,949
Food, Drink and Tobacco	1,230,731	1,388,907
Wood-working and Basketware	654,502	697,253
Furniture, Bedding etc.	89,643	99,255
Printing and Binding	1,179,926	1,157,641
Rubber	23,926	25,478
Miscellaneous Products	37,424	56,069
Heat, Light and Power	147,702	247,201
	<u>7,214,338</u>	<u>8,075,451</u>

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